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Response to Amendment

1. The reply filed on August 19, 2008 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): applicant's response fails to include an accurate identification of the claims encompassing the elected species as required. In particular, applicant's reply states that various claims reciting both a primary and a secondary wick are readable on the elected fifth species or the embodiments of Figures 11, 13, 12, 12B, and 14A through 19D, yet the embodiments illustrated in Figures 11, 13, 12, 12B, and 14A through 19D do not include a secondary wick. Please refer to election/restriction requirement mailed on June 19, 2008 as well as to 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ljiljana (Lil) V. Ciric whose telephone number is 571-272-4909. The examiner works a flexible work schedule but can normally be reached on most days during the work week between the hours of 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cheryl J. Tyler can be reached on 571-272-4834. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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